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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Melvin Park

Group Unit: 2881

Serial No.: 09/884,452

Examiner: Wells, Nikita

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATING A MATRIX-ASSISTED
LASER DESORPTION/IONIZATION (MALDI) MASS SPECTROMETER

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER
37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a)**

S I R:

It is respectfully requested that the time for responding to the Office Action dated August 25, 2003, be extended for a period of THREE (3) months from November 25, 2003 to and including February 25, 2004.

Date: February 25, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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